

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
| |) | Group Art Unit: 1652 |
| Ming-De DENG et al. |) | |
| |) | Examiner: Delia M. Ramirez |
| Application No.: 10/612,779 |) | |
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| |) | <u>AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE</u> |
| Attorney Docket No.: 3161-18-2 |) | |
| |) | <i>Submitted Via Electronic Filing</i> |
| For: PROCESS AND MATERIALS FOR |) | |
| PRODUCTION OF GLUCOSAMINE |) | |
| AND N-ACETYL GLUCOSAMINE |) | |

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated August 10, 2006, the time for reply being extended three months to February 12, 2007, by the extension of time filed herewith (February 10 and February 11 being Saturday and Sunday, respectively), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application and continued examination of the claims in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.